

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: COAGULATION ASSAY

REAGENTS CONTAINING

LANTHANIDES AND A PROTEIN C

ASSAY USING SUCH A LANTHANIDE-CONTAINING

REAGENT

## **RESTRICTION RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

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SIR:

Responsive to the Communication dated March 5, 2003, Applicants provide herewith an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) and references cited therein which correspond to those references disclosed at page 6, lines 21-24, of the specification. These references are incorporated by reference in the present specification and clearly demonstrate the reagents suitable for use in coagulation assays which are claimed in combination with one or more metal compounds that interact with calcium binding sites in a blood coagulation cascade, as claimed in Claim 21 which was previously elected as part of Group II on November 12, 2002. Further, responsive to the election of species requirement, Applicants elect, with traverse, a compound providing a cation of the lanthanide series as the one or more metal compound, and thrombomodulin or recombinant thrombomodulin as the reagent. Further, Applicants add new Claims 85-87 which are drawn to more specific embodiments and fall within previously restricted Group II and depend from Claim 21.

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Transmitted herewith is a Restriction Response and Amendment w/Marked-Up Copy in the above-identified application.

- ☐ No additional fee is required
- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith: Information Disclosure Statement w/PTO Form 1449; Cited References (7)

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TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS						NS	\$54.00	
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